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REQUEST TO DELETE INVENTOR UNDER 37CFR 1.48(b)

Sir:

Please delete the name of Daqiang Xu as inventor in the above-identified application.

Notice of Allowance dated January 31, 2001 allowing claims 20-35 and 37-56 is gratefully acknowledged.

This amendment and request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) is to delete from the above-identified application the name of Daqiang Xu, named as inventor, but who is not an inventor of the invention now being claimed in allowed claims 20-35 and 37-56 due to amendment or cancellation of claims.

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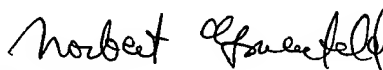
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